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NEWS

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MY STREET



DEAR RESIDENT

Last year we launched our Private Rented Property Licensing scheme and are one of the few London boroughs to insist that every landlord in the private sector has a licence for every property they rent.

By introducing this scheme we can ensure that landlords take responsibility for their tenants' behaviour so that residents living in the immediate vicinity are not affected by anti-social behaviour.

We can also ensure that the standards of accommodation are in keeping with what we would expect and issues of overcrowding, dangerous conditions and exploitation of tenants are addressed.

Chris Robbins,
Leader of the Council

Cllr Khevin Limbajee,
Cabinet Member for Housing

At the start of this year we launched the first of many planned action days to go through the doors of hundreds of rented properties in the borough where we suspect landlords are not licensed or where there are unacceptable conditions.

So far we have issued 15,000 licences and are processing a further 2,000 applications, which shows that decent, responsible landlords understand the need to obtain a licence.

For those rogue landlords out there still without a licence or refusing to abide by the conditions of a licence, the message is very simple and very clear – now is the time to get your house in order, or pay the price.

Handwritten signatures of Chris Robbins and Khevin Limbajee.



We introduced our Private Rented Property Licensing (PRPL) scheme in April 2015 to improve standards and help reduce Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) in the private rented housing sector.

While we know there are a large number of good landlords in the borough, we are clamping down on landlords who flout the law and leave their tenants to live in poor conditions.

Last month saw the official launch of Private Rented Property Licensing Action Days where a team of officers from across the Council work in partnership with the Police and Border and Immigration Services to target privately rented properties. The first action day saw more than 30 council officers visit nearly 800 properties in the Grove Green Ward in Leyton. They used shared intelligence from PRPL data, Council Tax records, Housing Standards and Planning enforcement information to identify landlords and properties of concern.

Along with partners, the team carried out scheduled inspections, police raids, planning visits, food hygiene and trading standards inspections and anti-social behaviour action raids. The action day was hugely successful with more action days taking place throughout the year.

If you know of an unlicensed property or need to licence a property, please visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/prpl

THE ACTION DAY IN NUMBERS

The official launch took place on Thursday, 21 January and resulted in the following:

793 doors knocked in the Leyton area

61 properties requiring further investigation

46 full licence inspections carried out

41 new properties identified as requiring a licence

30 dirty front gardens identified

19 Fixed Penalty Notices issued

7 fly-tips found

1 property closure notice served on a block of flats



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£1.1million for Creative Zone

Council secures funding from Greater London Authority to develop additional creative workspaces in Blackhorse Lane

In October Waltham Forest Council made a bid to receive funding from the Greater London Authority's (GLA) London Regeneration Fund. The bid proposed to develop a Creative Industries Zone in Blackhorse Lane. Last month came the news that it had been successful in securing £1.1million.

Cllr Clare Coghill, Cabinet Member for Economic Growth and High Streets, told Waltham Forest News: "This project will transform underused space in the Blackhorse Lane area to provide workshop capacity and creative co-working space."

"Our business mapping exercises have demonstrated the rising demand for tech and creative start-up and move-on space. We need accommodation to meet the needs of newly established businesses, some of which have outgrown the incubator units at Blackhorse Workshop."

Blackhorse Workshop is a community-led space dedicated to

making and creating that opened two years ago. Hundreds of local people make use of its facilities every week, which include a fully-equipped wood and metal workshop.

The new facilities that the GLA grant will help make possible will offer even greater opportunities for creative industry workers in the borough, providing diverse employment opportunities.

The development goes hand in hand with the Council's extensive homebuilding programme that aims to see 12,000 new council, affordable and private homes built in the borough before 2020, with 2,500 already earmarked for Blackhorse Lane.

Last year the Mayor of London designated Blackhorse Lane as a Housing Zone after the Council successfully pitched for the status. It means that this part of the borough, which has already secured more than £200million of investment from developers, can now shape and grow even faster.



The Chris Bracey artwork at the Blackhorse Lane and Forest Road junction that provides a 'Welcome to the home of people who make and create'

More info

For more information on development and regeneration in the borough, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/shaping. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough. Follow @wfcouncil on Twitter.

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What an honour!



Peter Rogers, far left, with Scouts from 1st Highams Park Explorer Scout Group at the World Scout Jamboree in Japan

Another extraordinary resident has scooped an award in the New Year's Honours list. Peter Rogers JP, a Highams Park resident of more than 20 years, has been appointed an Officer of the Order of the British Empire

(OBE) for services to children and families, and voluntary service to young people.

Peter has been a director of national children and families charity, 4Children, for six years. His background includes working

as a teacher, youth worker, author and assistant director of the Scout Association. He also volunteers as a magistrate, scout leader, Duke of Edinburgh Award instructor and a governor at Highams Park School.

Peter has volunteered with the

Sixth resident is recognised in the New Year's Honours List

Peter Rogers will receive an OBE for service to young people

Scout Association since the age of 16, and helps run the 1st Highams Park Explorer Scout Group. He is also involved in Scouting at a national level, and accompanied 3,000 UK Scouts on a trip to the 23rd World Scout Jamboree, which took place in Japan in summer 2015.

Peter told Waltham Forest News: "It came as a pretty big shock that I was nominated for an honour, and it's fantastic that someone has taken the time to nominate me. It's quite a humbling experience."

"Scouting and working with young people is very rewarding, and I think it's important for young people to have positive adult

relationships outside of the family environment."

The honours system recognises people who have made achievements in public life, or committed themselves to serving and helping Britain. Anyone can nominate someone for an honour, so if you know a community stalwart who has given countless years' service to other people or someone who has become an ambassador for Britain, why not nominate them for an honour?

More info

For more information on the Honours system, visit www.gov.uk/honours.

In my opinion



Jacky Logan

Founder, Lesbian Reading Group

I formed the Lesbian Reading Group in 2008 following a LGBT History Month event. It meets on the second Monday of every month at Chingford Library (The Green, E4 7EN). Members travel from all over the borough to discuss books chosen by the group.

I have always been involved in breaking down the barriers that prevent LGBT people from feeling fully welcome in the borough where they live. I was also on the advisory committee for implementing the LGBT action plan.

Why a lesbian reading group

you may ask? People attend for a variety of reasons. It beats isolation and gives members an opportunity to meet like-minded people in a safe space, where issues that arise in the books can be discussed in the context of their own lives as lesbians. One member says that it legitimises who she is; that the mainstream library is catering for her needs. Others say that there are few places to talk about same sex love, which often arise from issues in the books. There are two other reading groups that meet at Chingford Library and we have often joined together for author events.

The books discussed are often

written by lesbian authors, or chosen because they have a positive female character as the main protagonist, but all manner of books are read and discussed. We are currently reading 'Casual Vacancy' by JK Rowling.

The history of the group is quite important. You have to remember that when it was formed, civil partnerships and gay marriage were not in place. At one event run by the group, a young woman from Uzbekistan came along and was overwhelmed by the open discussion. She was very grateful for recommendations of books that reflected her life. She could

not return home to Uzbekistan for fear of persecution and at that time 'stoning' gay people as a punishment was in place.

The advantage of meeting in the library means that not only do you get a huge welcome from the staff, but books can be read in all formats. You can listen to them on CD or download them. This is good for those who are dyslexic or have a sight disability.

The group is open to new members, and we welcome any suggestions for favourite books or authors that you think we would enjoy. Please phone Chingford Library on 020 8496 1070 if you would like to join, or would like further information.

For more information on Waltham Forest Libraries, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/libraries.

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Community café now open

Residents recovering from drug and alcohol-related problems will be giving up their time to support a new community café project.

They will be volunteering from 11am to 3pm on Wednesdays at The Cornerstone, in Canterbury Road, Leyton, and from 1pm to 5pm on Fridays at The Hornbeam Centre, in Hoe Street, Walthamstow, as part of Café Life.

The project encourages local people to visit the cafés to take part in social activities including arts and crafts, board games, quizzes and competitions, while relaxing with a

drink and snack.

The volunteers, all of whom have been supported by the Council's alcohol and drug services provider, Lifeline Waltham Forest, will run the Café Life sessions.

Sabbir Ahmed, a Peer Support and Activities Coordinator at Lifeline Waltham Forest, said: "All of the volunteers are in recovery themselves. For some it is about giving something back and helping others, while for others they want to keep themselves busy and maintain their recovery."

"One of our volunteers said that addiction had cost her many things

over the years and now she feels that her life is getting back on track. This project is a way of building up her confidence and self-esteem to eventually move into some form of paid employment – the fact that she can potentially help others really appeals to her."

The Café Life project was made possible after Lifeline Waltham Forest and the Council's Public Health team proactively bid for, and successfully secured, funding from Public Health England to pay for a network of recovery cafés in the borough.

Cllr Ahsan Khan, Waltham Forest

Council's Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing, told Waltham Forest News: "Because Café Life is open to any resident wanting to pay a visit, we hope it will play a big role helping to break down barriers and challenge stereotypes of those recovering from alcohol or substance misuse."

More info

For more information, visit www.lifeline.org.uk. Free internet access is available at Waltham Forest Libraries.

In brief



The Forest Venues Wedding Fair takes place on Saturday 5 March

Wedding Fair

Residents are invited to attend the second Forest Venues Wedding Fair at Walthamstow Assembly Hall (Forest Road, E17 4JF) on Saturday 5 March. Taking place between 10am and 6pm, visitors can find out about the Council's beautiful listed venues, meet local suppliers and see the latest bridal fashions at the cultural fusion bridal showcase. Event sponsors John Lewis will showcase its wedding gift list, while Wishes Catering will serve up food tastings throughout the day. The Council has four venues for hire – Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Chingford Assembly Hall, William Morris Gallery and Vestry House Museum. Whether you're planning a wedding, Mehndi, civil ceremony or reception, our venues boast character, style and elegance. You can also explore the new VIP Suite at Walthamstow Assembly Hall. The stunning Art Deco room offers an intimate setting for civil ceremonies or a personal space for brides and grooms.

• Pre-register at www.forestvenuesweddingfair2016.eventbrite.co.uk for free entry to the fair. Alternatively, admission is £5 per person on the day.

LGBT History Month

**GET CRAFTY AT
LGBT HISTORY
MONTH!**

LGBT History Month takes place every February

A colourful celebration of diversity is sweeping through Waltham Forest as the borough marks Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) History Month.

The Council has teamed up with community arts organisations, Salon Outré and Nick Walters Performance Projects, to champion stories of local LGBT residents through an inclusive array of free art and craft activities.

The community-focussed programme, which is part of the

national LGBT History Month calendar, will also explore the themes of religion, belief and philosophy.

Salon Outré Director and LGBT Ambassador, Dan Vo, said: "The event is a unique and exciting opportunity to bring the community together in a family-friendly environment.

"LGBT History Month is about sharing stories and celebrating diversity. It's a great platform to open up dialogue, as well as increase awareness to challenge

homophobia, biphobia and transphobia."

The fun and informative programme includes a series of free 'Crafternoon Tea' events, dance and music workshops, visual arts and performance. Residents will be invited to get creative with local artists, share their experiences and contribute to a LGBT Histories community mural.

Health and awareness information stalls will also feature at each activity to promote inclusion and understanding and continue



educating people about issues facing the LGBT community.

Council Leader, Chris Robbins, said: "The events taking place during LGBT History Month are not only engaging and informative, but they also promise to be a real celebration of diversity – something we absolutely champion here in Waltham Forest. I would encourage residents of all backgrounds and from all walks of life to come together as a community to take part."

Crafternoon Tea events will include a 50-plus and seniors workshop from 12noon until 2pm on Monday 15 February at Chingford Assembly Hall (The Green, E4 7EN), a youth workshop from 7pm to 9pm on Wednesday 17 February in Leyton Youth Centre (Crawley Road, E10 6PY) and a family day with dance and music workshops from 12pm until 3pm on Saturday 20 February in Leytonstone Library (Church Lane, E11 1HG).

The final event will be an evening of cultural expression at the William Morris Gallery (Forest Road, E17 4PP) on Friday 26 February at 7pm. The evening will include art, music and dance. It is free to attend, but places are limited.

More info

For more information, and to book your place at one of the free events, visit www.wfculture.eventbrite.com.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Residents, faith leaders and councillors gathered at an event to mark Holocaust Memorial Day (HMD) at Waltham Forest Town Hall on Wednesday 27 January. Attendees met at the Anne Frank Memorial Tree for an act of remembrance, before proceeding to the Council Chamber. There, a number of faith leaders spoke, and the evening gave everyone present the opportunity to remember all those affected by genocides around the world. Holocaust Memorial Day takes place on 27 January every year. It was on this date in 1945 that the largest Nazi concentration and death camp – Auschwitz-Birkenau – was liberated. The theme of HMD 2016 is 'Don't stand by' and was chosen to encourage people to think about the action they can take so we do not stand by and allow genocide, persecution and injustice to take place.

• For more information on Holocaust Memorial Day, visit www.hmd.org.uk.

Arts for all in Waltham Forest

The Council has four key priorities to help improve the lives of everyone who lives and works in Waltham Forest. In this edition we look at what is being done to help residents enjoy a good quality life



The William Morris Gallery recently hosted a major exhibition featuring the work of Bob and Roberta Smith RA

Arts and culture are at the heart of the work we are doing now and in the future to help Waltham Forest residents enjoy a good quality life. In recent years we've taken huge strides in putting our thriving arts sector firmly on the map.

The award-winning William Morris Gallery has established itself as an internationally-recognised cultural venue, and we've boosted the number of opportunities for residents to explore their creative sides and take part in cultural celebrations. Here, we look at some of the ways the Council is making artistic and cultural opportunities accessible for everyone.

Our strategy

'Waltham Forest is aspiring to be the leading borough for arts and culture in outer London.'

This is the vision we've set out in our newly-published strategy, Arts for All, detailing our ongoing commitment to provide great culture opportunities in Waltham Forest and enhance the borough's rapidly-growing creative sector.

Our goal is for Waltham Forest to be known for an ambitious, high quality arts and culture offer, which involves local residents of all ages

and from all walks of life, attracts visitors from across the capital, and makes an exceptional contribution to London's vibrant cultural scene.

The strategy outlines our continued commitment to invest in artistic and cultural opportunities for all residents. It also supports local groups and organisations that share our ambition to cement Waltham Forest as outer London's leading destination for arts and culture.

We hope to achieve the vision set out in the Arts for All strategy through a number of priority areas, including securing further investment in arts and culture through regeneration projects. We also intend to increase the number of local businesses involved in creative programmes, and to involve the borough's artists and practitioners in developing fantastic arts for all.

Art grants

We continue to support local arts organisations and groups through grants and commissions. We recently awarded ten Arts Development Grants worth a total of £25,000 – this is on top of the £128,000 awarded to fund creative activities in the borough since this grants programme began in

October 2013.

The latest round has seen organisations across the borough awarded funding to involve and entertain residents through artistic projects. Rendezvous Projects secured funding to deliver a resident-led arts and heritage project capturing the transformation of Lea Bridge around the new Lea Bridge Station area. The project will include film screenings, social events, performances, exhibitions, a historical walk and a newsletter to create pride in the local area.

Walthamstow Community Production gained funding to produce a piece of community musical theatre in Walthamstow open to all Waltham Forest residents over five, with local people involved in every aspect of the production.

Residents in Chingford and Highams Park will be able to take part in a year-long therapeutic arts project after the 'CreativTEA' initiative was given funding, while Chiff Chaff Children's Theatre will deliver a unique piece of theatre in Leytonstone for children aged six and under. Funding given to Shapeshifter Productions will enable the group to encourage adults to learn to play a musical instrument

before taking part in public performances across the borough.

A further two innovative arts organisations – Wood Street Walls and Studio3Arts – were recently celebrating after being awarded Neighbourhood Arts Commissions to deliver exciting new projects in Chingford, Leyton and Leytonstone. These Council commissions are for two years and worth a combined total of £60,000.

Cultural destination

The Council owns and manages both Vestry House Museum, a local history museum telling the story of the borough through a series of permanent displays and special exhibitions, and the William Morris Gallery, which was awarded the Art Fund Prize for Museum of the Year in 2013 and was nominated for the European Museum of the Year Award in 2014.

Last month saw the Gallery's exhibition of work by Bob and Roberta Smith RA come to a close – but not before a series of art policies, all suggested by visitors to the exhibition, were gathered together for the next London Mayor to consider.

Bob and Roberta Smith – the pseudonym of artist Patrick Brill –

advocates art education through his work, and so encouraged visitors to put forward their own policy ideas, which he will pass on to prospective mayoral candidates.

Examples include 'give every child a paintbrush', 'make all art galleries and museums in London free for all to visit' and 'more different cultures of art taught in schools'. The Gallery's next major exhibition – Social Fabric: African Textiles Today – starts on Saturday 20 February. The exhibition, which brings together textiles from the British Museum's collection, promises to uncover the links between the textiles of eastern and southern Africa and life in the region.

Meanwhile, Vestry House Museum's new exhibition, which opens on Saturday 13 February, will reveal one of its most significant collections – the work of Victorian photographer and Leytonstone resident Alfred Wire.



The work of Leytonstone resident Alfred Wire, who took this photo of his family on 13 June 1891, will soon be on display in Vestry House Museum



(l-r) Council Leader Chris Robbins, Head of Culture and Heritage Services at the Council Lorna Lee, Head of Projects at Studio3Arts Rosie Ross and Co-founder of Wood Street Walls Mark Clack

More info

You can see the Arts for All strategy by visiting www.walthamforest.gov.uk/artsforall. Free internet access is available at Waltham Forest Libraries.

What you say

Residents tell Waltham Forest News what they think about the Council's work to improve access to arts and culture to help residents enjoy a good quality of life



Badar and Sanna Qureshi with their children Essa, Aziza and Ismail, Chingford



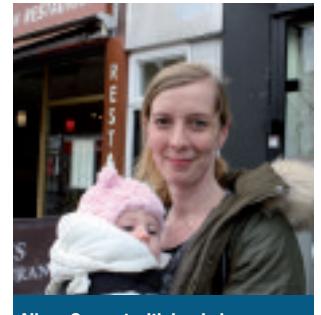
Martin Cannell, Chingford



Jessica Geremia, Chingford



Joan Rose, Chingford



Alison Sargent with her baby Isabelle, Walthamstow

"Arts and culture in the borough is important, particularly more creative pursuits for children. I hope there are more activities in Chingford and that they are well communicated to residents."

"Murals are a nice way to improve an area and make it more interesting. I think it is also good to provide opportunities for young people to get involved in art. Give them something good to do."

"I'm all for murals, as I have actually done one myself for a restaurant in Camden. I think investment in arts is crucial and would certainly consider attending an art workshop."

"I am a big fan of the William Morris Gallery. When I was a teacher we used to take the kids there a lot. I also think public art is a great way to smarten up the appearance of areas."

"I love the artwork on the corner opposite Blackhorse Road Station and think that sort of thing is great. Art workshops in local venues would also be very welcome for both children and adults."



Priority:

Help all of our residents enjoy a good quality of life

Family

Commitment:

- Freeze Council Tax until at least 2016 and continue to fund the freedom pass scheme
- Provide young and older residents with a range of activities and support such as free swimming, holiday clubs and Christmas lunches
- Support an extensive arts and events programme for everyone, via the Council and in the community
- Maintain high quality parks, green spaces and affordable, modern leisure centres

Priority: **We will keep your neighbourhood clean and safe**

Priority: **We will support affordable housing for everyone's needs**

Priority: **We will help build a strong local economy and thriving town centres**

In brief



A 'swishing' event

Swish and sew

The North London Waste Authority and behavioural change charity Hubbub are helping fight clothes waste by running 'swishing' and sewing sessions in the borough. A 'Recolour your wardrobe' sewing workshop took place at Blackhorse Lane Studios at the end of last month, with a 'swishing' (clothes-swapping) session being held at Gnome House in Blackhorse Lane. According to research by Hubbub, unwanted clothing lurking in our wardrobes is worth £30 billion. So if you've got clothes you don't wear, why not recycle them?

- For more information, visit www.nlwa.gov.uk. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Line closure

The Barking to Gospel Oak line is to close for eight months from June for a major upgrade costing £130million. Many commuters will have to use the District, Victoria or Northern lines – as well as buses – as an alternative. The line's existing two-carriage diesel trains will be replaced with eight faster and greener four-car electric stock. Electrification work will mean the reconstruction of at least 12 bridges to accommodate new power cables. The line is now part of Transport for London's Overground network.

- For more information on transport links in the borough visit [www.walthamforest.gov.uk/transport-and-streets](http://walthamforest.gov.uk/transport-and-streets).

Better roads

Two separate road improvement schemes are due to take place in the north of the borough thanks to Waltham Forest Council. A new road crossing is planned at Jubilee Avenue in Highams Park, while parking in Armstrong Avenue, Woodford Green, is also set to be improved through planned changes. The latter development will see £20,000 leveraged from new developments in the local area to pay for the improvements. Detailed designs are currently being worked up for both schemes.

- For more information about road improvements in the borough, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/roads.



Cllr Clyde Loakes with the new Bigbelly bins outside The Scene in Walthamstow

It's Spring Clean time!

- The Council's annual Spring Clean initiative has rolled around again
- Put a date in your diary to take part during the first two weekends of March

Schools, residents, businesses and community groups are being encouraged to get involved in Waltham Forest Council's annual Spring Clean initiative.

This year's Spring Clean is being organised in conjunction with Keep Britain Tidy, which is running a national campaign to help clean up Britain before the Queen's 90th birthday in April.

'Clean for the Queen' and Spring Clean will run over the first two weekends of March, so if you are interested in organising a clean-up in your area the Council can help provide the necessary equipment.

Last year's Spring Clean proved a roaring success, with community spirit, group involvement and good old elbow grease all contributing to a better borough.

Over the course of two back-to-back weekends local residents spared the time to make their neighbourhoods cleaner and tidier, from litter picking to painting, cleaning to pruning.

Literally thousands of individual

residents were involved, with 48 different Spring Clean events, leading to the removal of 18 tonnes of waste and the planting of over 2,000 bedding plants.

Groups getting involved in the Spring Clean included local scouts, members of mosques, 17 schools and 31 residents associations. Selwyn Primary School in Highams Park had 250 children go out in shifts to pick up litter.

In Leytonstone residents gathered outside the station armed with bin bags and gloves for litter picking, and spades, rakes and shovels for planting. Aubrey Road Residents Association went even further; being supplied with heavy duty cutters, a tree saw and black paint for lampposts by the Council.

At the time James Phillips from the Aubrey Road group said: "It went really well and we had a great turnout. The alleyway looks really great with all the new flowers and we've opened up some new kerbside beds as well."

Juanita Azubuike from Ruby Road in Walthamstow said: "A

fantastic amount of people came out to help. The main attraction of the day was the opportunity to move rubbish out of some of the front gardens. I think this practical opportunity to spring clean for some of the more vulnerable people on the street in this safe and supportive community atmosphere worked amazingly."

Council officers not only provided the right equipment and cleared away rubbish bags, but were also in attendance to ensure residents achieved their goals in transforming their neighbourhoods.

Ralph Meanley from Cleveland Park Residents Association was keen to praise the Council officers: "Please pass on our thanks to all your team. We could not have done it without all your help. There was a great sense of purpose and enjoyment there yesterday with a really good turnout."

"This year we aim for an even better turnout and to make an even greater impact," said Cllr Clyde Loakes, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Environment.

"It's become an annual tradition that has really captured the imagination of local communities up and down the borough over the years. Everyone is welcome to take part and Council officers will be happy to accommodate requests for help and equipment."

Another recent initiative to help keep the borough clean has been the installation of Bigbelly bins outside The Scene in Walthamstow. The 'smart waste and recycling system' crushes waste so they don't need to be emptied as often and will send the Council an email when they are full.

The bins are currently being trialled, with plans to move them to Church Lane in Leytonstone after a few weeks.

More info

To organise a clean-up, or to join one near you, email the Council's Neighbourhoods Team at neighbourhoods@walthamforest.gov.uk. Follow @wfCouncil on Twitter.

Cargo bikes for hire

- You can now hire a cargo bike for free
- They are great for taking children to school or making local deliveries



You can hire this 'Christiana' cargo bike for free

A cargo bike hire scheme has been launched as part of Waltham Forest Council's £27million Mini-Holland programme. There are two cargo bikes available to rent – one for the school run or shopping trips, and one for businesses so they can carry out deliveries.

Hire is free and can be used as a taster before people commit to purchasing one themselves. They are great alternatives to the car and can be used for all sorts of journeys.

Cargo bikes, also known as freight bicycles, carrier cycles, box bikes, and cycle trucks, are

human powered vehicles designed and constructed specifically for transporting loads.

The Council has two types – the Christiania and the Omnid. The Christiania is strong, durable and versatile and gives parents who normally drive their children to school the opportunity to try cycling as an alternative to the car.

It is popular with families in Denmark, Holland and Sweden for local trips to school or the shops. It is designed to carry loads of up to 100kg with ease, and is very easy to power as it has seven low gears. It has a bench, three point harness and waist belt to accommodate two children.

The Omnid is fast, light and manoeuvrable. It can be used for a variety of tasks and to deliver a wide range of goods. It is lightweight and not as wide as a three wheeled bike – making it easier to filter through traffic to get to where you need to be quickly.

To hire a cargo bike for free simply email the Mini-Holland team

and let them know which bike you'd like, for how long, when, and if you're hiring it on your own, as a couple, family or business. This is because all users will need to have an induction and quick road test. You should also include your preferred contact details.

They will get in touch when they have checked availability, and will ask for a refundable deposit of £100 on the day of pick up. Further terms and conditions of hire are available on the Mini-Holland website.

You will also receive training, with an hour long induction and road test, to help you get used to the bike and be confident riding it.

More info

For more information, or to register your interest, email cargobikehire@walthamforest.gov.uk or visit www.enjoywalthamforest.co.uk/cargo-bike.

In brief



Offenders helped to clean-up Gaitskill and Mace House estates

Community action

A further clean-up operation in the borough involving offenders on the Community Payback scheme took place recently on the Gaitskill and Mace House estates, Walthamstow. The Council's Central Ground Maintenance Team worked hand in hand with Community Payback and the Police and cleared the density of the hedges, tree branches and overgrown vegetation on the estates. These areas can be used by gang members to hide drugs and weapons, and a number of knives were found during the exercise.

• If you would like to nominate an area near you that might benefit from work being carried out by the Community Payback scheme email nominations@london.cp.gsi.gov.uk.

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Sports and fitness

Women's Morris Dancing For Beginners

Wednesdays, 8–10pm

St Gabriel's Family Centre, Havant Road, E17 3JF

A fun and friendly way of keeping fit whilst learning traditional English Morris dancing. No experience necessary, just come along and have a go. Musicians (male or female) also welcome. First term free to new members. **For more information, phone 020 8527 2926 or visit www.blackhorseandstandard.org.uk.**

Fight Klub Beat Box

Mondays, 8–9pm

Paradox Centre, 3 Ching Way, E4 8YE
Fight Klub Combat Fitness workout to music boxing techniques and aerobic exercise. It's fun, effective, easy to follow and suitable for men and women. Bring gloves, water and a towel. £5 per session. **For more information, phone 07572 441 324 or visit www.fightklub.co.uk.**

Holistic Healing

Saturdays, 9am–7pm

31 Kingsley Gardens, E4 8JS

I am passionate about massage and the holistic way of healing our bodies and minds. I offer a wide range of treatments tailored to your needs. I succeed in helping people suffering from back pain, head ache and insomnia. **If you would like to live a healthier, more balanced lifestyle, please phone Aga on 07778 277 520, email body.mind.harmony.am@gmail.com or visit www.sunshinehappiness.co.uk.**

Short Mat Bowls Club

Wednesdays, 10am–12noon

Sea Scouts Unit, Kings Road, E4 7HR

Come and join us for short mat bowls. Beginners are welcome, and we charge no annual fee. Just pay £3 per session. Please wear flat shoes. We can provide the bowls. The unit is situated in front of the Recycling Centre on Kings Road, which is between the bottom of Friday Hill, Chingford and the railway bridge. **For more information, phone 020 8529 7328 or just come along on the day.**



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approximately two hours. Our walks vary from countryside, riverbanks and tow paths to informative London Walks where we pass many places of interest. We also have bi-monthly lunches where we can all exchange news and views. We are a very friendly group and you would receive a warm welcome. **For a free programme, and newsletter, visit www.leavalleyfriends.org.uk, email lvwalkers.2001@hotmail.com or phone 020 8529 1602.**

Circle Dancing

Thursdays, 1.30–3.30pm

Welcome Centre, St Mary's Church, 8 Church End, E17 9RJ

Join us for circle dancing to world music. All welcome, from beginners to experienced dancers. There is no need for a partner, just turn up. £4 per session, refreshments included. Parking is available. **For more information, phone Pat on 020 8556 3508 or email jean.duggleby@virgin.net.**

Acupuncture and Chinese Massage

Acupuncture and Tui Na (massage) have been used in the East for over 2000 years to treat physical and emotional problems including back and knee pain, arthritis, headaches, insomnia, depression and anxiety, addictions, nausea and eating disorders. If you would like to find out how these therapies could help you, we are offering free consultations at our Clinic in Leytonstone. Our therapists include fully qualified members of the British Acupuncture Council. Prices start at £25. To book a free consultation, phone 07943 672 696 or email bushwoodacu@aol.com.

Jacky's Fitsteps

Wednesdays, 9.30am and Thursdays, 6.45pm

Mornington Hall, The Green Walk, E4 7EN

Thursdays, 9.30am

Masonic Hall, Forest Approach, E4 7AZ

Dance fitness to Latin and ballroom music and steps. Fit for all bodies, no partners required. **For more information, phone Jacky Logan on 07715 421 349 or email jacjuke@aol.com.**

Face Yoga with Leah

Tuesdays, 12–1pm

Quaker Meeting House, 1a Jewel Road, E17 4QU

Face yoga is natural way of looking and feeling younger, with an added sense of relaxation and wellbeing. It's a combination of face exercises, face massage, acupressure and face relaxation. Also focuses on wellbeing techniques for mind, body and soul. **For more information, or to book, visit leahsbeauty.wix.com/face-yoga or phone 07939 342 990.**

General Level Pilates

Thursdays, 7–8pm

Leyton Parish Church Hall, Lindley Road, E10 5PY

Drop-in Pilates classes for all, £10. Carnets

available – buy 10 classes and get one free. Mats and small equipment provided. Pilates can improve your strength, flexibility, balance, co-ordination, bone density, reduce pain and encourage relaxation. Pilates Foundation member teacher with 15 years' experience of studio and mat work. Absolute beginners and newcomers contact me first please. **For more information, email alison.bray@gmail.com or visit www.abpilates.co.uk.**



Postnatal Yoga with Baby Massage

Wednesdays, 9.30–11am

Chingford United Reform Church, Buxton Road E4 9SG

This small private group of up to 8 women gives you the opportunity to get the guidance and support you need through your personal yoga practice. Scaravelli-inspired yoga works with the breath, gravity and the spine in a very gentle way. Exploration of sun salute, pranayama, yoga nidra, and meditation are all included in the practice. A six week course. **For more information, email info@arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk or visit www.arlenedunkley-wood.co.uk or phone 07976 903 003.**

Wednesday Badminton Club

Wednesdays, 8–10pm

Trinity School, Mornington Road, IG8 0TP

A social badminton club for intermediate and advanced players. New members very welcome. £7 per session. **For more information, phone Adrian on 07985 161 428.**

Yoga Me Happy

Every Sunday, 9.30–10.45am and 11am–12.15pm

Aveling Park Bowls Club, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 5EH

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Wednesday Badminton

Wednesdays, 8–10pm

Peter May Sports Centre, 135 Wadham Road, E17 4HR

For intermediate and more experienced players, too. Two courts available. £5 for two hours. **For more information, phone Martin on 07813 501 648.**

KAPAP – Self defence

Tuesdays, 6.15–7.15pm

Leyton Sixth Form College, Community Sports Centre, Essex Road, E10 6EQ

KAPAP is a cutting edge self defence system. Learn strikes using you body weapons. KAPAP gives you the opportunity to get fit, become stronger and confident, whilst learning a practical and effective self defence system. Come and try. Only £5 per class, concessions for students first lesson free. **For more information, email bruntonj1@yahoo.co.uk or phone Jason on 07905 132 595.**

Free Karate for all

Tuesdays and Fridays, 6–7pm

Rushcroft School, Rushcroft Rd, Chingford E4 8SG

Sundays, 12–1pm

Chingford Leisure Centre, New Road, E4 9EY

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 6.15 to 7.15pm

The Peter May Sports Centre, 135 Wadham Road, E17 4HR

Join us for a free trial Karate class at one of the three locations above. Everyone is welcome. **For more information, visit www.karate-london.co.uk or phone 01992 768 664.**

historian, will give a talk on the history of the English seaside from the 18th century to the present day. **For more information phone Mark on 020 8530 4755 or email mcarroll@waitrose.com.**

Good Life Club

Every Wednesday, 1–3pm

Jubilee Hall, Greenleaf Baptist Church, Greenleaf Road, E17 6QQ

A club for people aged 55 and over. Join us for speakers, quizzes, videos and social events. **Entrance is £2.50 per person, which includes tea and biscuits.**

Lighthouse Indoor Market

First Saturday of every month, 11am–2pm

Lighthouse Methodist Church, 120 Markhouse Road, E17 8BQ

The event hosts stalls for people selling outstanding handcrafted items, as well as exceptional quality second hand clothes and goods. The event has a variety of different stalls every time. **For more information, email Sarah at scilac@gmail.com.**



Table Top Sale

Saturday 5 March, 10.30am–12.30pm

Chingford United Reformed Church, Buxton Road, E4 7DP

A table top sale, with bric-a-brac, jigsaws, jewellery, clothes, books and more. An event not to be missed! **For more information, email mptbrown@btinternet.com.**

Table Top Fundraising Sale

Saturday 20 February, 11am–3pm

Waltham Forest Resource Hub (North), 58 Hall Lane, E4 8EU

Grab a bargain and help us to raise funds for our work in Waltham Forest. Hundreds of books, DVDs and CDs on sale; bake sale with homemade cream teas and cakes; Handcrafted blankets and cuddly toys. Free entry. **If you have items you would like to donate towards the sale please phone 020 8558 5512 or email e.tozer@ageukwalthamforest.org.uk.**

Car Boot Sale

Saturday 5 March, 7am

Whips Cross Hospital Car Park (near A&E department), Whips Cross Road, E11 1NR The Hospital League of Friends are holding their first Boot Sale for 2016 to raise funds for the benefit of staff and patients at your

local hospital. Cars £8, vans £12. To book a pitch please phone Mrs B Fone on 020 8529 2322, between 5–9pm Monday to Friday.

Litter Talk

Monday 15 February, 6pm

The Coach and Horses, 391 Leyton High Road, E10 5NL

A community meeting to discuss litter in the area. For more information, phone Monica on 07438 833 205.

Culture and crafts

E17 Guitar Club

Saturdays; 12noon, 2.30pm and 3.30pm

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH

Guitar playing and performing fun for adults of all abilities. Playing groups and beginners' courses. Bass players and percussionists welcome. Pay £53 for a half term of six, 40 minute lessons. 12noon playing group drop-in £10. For more information phone Christian on 07958 471 083, email chris@e17guitar.com or visit www.e17guitar.com.

E17 Swedish course

Mondays, 8.30pm and Wednesdays, 7.30pm

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH

Learn Swedish in this beginners'/ intermediate and conversation courses class. Relaxed and fun for adults. Pay £10 for a term of eleven 60 minute lessons in a small group. Individual lessons are also available. For more information phone Christian on 07958 471 083, email chris@e17swedish.com or visit www.e17swedish.com.

E17 Jazz

Tuesday 29 March, 8.30–10.30pm

Gnome House, 7 Blackhorse Lane, Walthamstow, E17 6DS

The award winning e17 jazz collective presents concerts on the last Tuesday of each month featuring local musicians of national renown plus exciting guest stars in a relaxed jazz club setting. Entry £8/£5. For more information, visit www.e17jazz.com/whatson.

Red Imp Comedy Club

Thursday 3 March, 9pm

Ye Olde Rose and Crown, 53 Hoe Street, E17 3SA

Perrier Award winner and star of Never Mind the Buzzcocks, Sean Hughes, with Nick Revell and resident MC Susan Murray. Tickets cost £13.50. To buy tickets, visit <http://tinyurl.com/j53djqq>. For more information, visit www.redimpcomedy.com.

Jewellery Making Workshops

Saturdays, times vary

124 Farman Avenue, E17 4NH

Join the fun and be creative by learning lots of different bead and wire techniques

to make jewellery and ornaments. No experience necessary. These are small, friendly classes and booking is essential. Taster sessions cost £10; 2.5 hour workshops cost £20. For more information on workshops, or to book a place, phone Birgit on 07910 251 629 or visit www.beyondbeading.co.uk.

St Barnabas Concert: 'Love, Actually'

Sunday 14 February, 4–5pm

St Barnabas Church, E17 8JZ

A musical celebration of romance through the ages. With performances from Walthamstow opera singers Gillian Keith and Tom Randle. This recital of timeless love songs, and duets from stage and screen, is part of E17's newest concert series, bringing world-class performances to the heart of our community. Admission by donation, with £5–£10 suggested. More information visit www.facebook.com and search 'St Barnabas Sunday Concerts'.

Drama Workshop of Waltham Forest – 'Suicide'

Friday 19 February to Sunday 21 February, 8pm

Forest Community Centre, Guildford Road, E17 4EA

The Drama Workshop of Waltham Forest presents 'Suicide' by Nicolai Erdman. Clear away the New Year blues by coming along and having a great time at this hilarious, madcap comedy set in Russia. Tickets cost £8 or £5 for concessions. To purchase tickets, phone 020 8524 7269 or visit www.wegottickets.com/ WalthamDrama.

Piano and Guitar Tuition

Flexible dates and times

Learn to play a range of musical styles from the comfort of your own home. Suitable for children and adults. Covers all levels from complete beginner to advanced. Styles include classical, jazz, Spanish and world music. Exam preparation included with a current 100% pass rate. £30 per hour, £10 discount on the first lesson. A discount is also available on multiple lesson purchases. Fully qualified and CRB certified. For more information, phone Paul on 07515 156 331 or email paul.mountainford@hotmail.co.uk.

Acoustic Showcase

Thursdays, 8–11pm

The Village, 31 Orford Road, E17 9NL

Every Thursday talented musicians play acoustic sets of original music and covers in the warm and friendly atmosphere of the Village Pub. Free Entry. For more information, or to find out about performing, visit www.village-walthamstow.com/acoustic-nights.

Leytonstone Pop Up Cinema

First Wednesday of every month, doors

7.30pm, film 7.45pm

Leytonstone Library, Church Lane, E11 1HG

Entrance £5 or £4 for all concessions. For more information, and screenings, visit www.leytonstonefilmclub.com.

Children and young people

E17 Junior Guitar Club

Saturdays, different levels and times

Hornbeam Café, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH

Guitar playing fun and performing for children of all abilities, age 6 and over. Pay £53 for a half term of six 30 minute lessons. Different levels and times. Also weekday groups and one to one lessons after school near Wood Street. For more information phone Christian on 07958 471 083, email chris@e17guitar.com or visit www.e17guitar.com.



Star Wars and Frozen Disco Party

Friday 12 February, 5–8pm

Chingford Assembly Hall, The Green, Station Road, E4 7EN

A fancy dress party and disco, for children aged four to 11 years. Younger children are welcome, but will still need a ticket. Come and meet Darth Vader and Elsa and enjoy kids' entertainer 'Bob's Your Uncle'. There will also be musical games, and on sale will be BBQ food, refreshments, Star Wars and Frozen toys, kids' tombola, face painting, sweets and glow sticks. Tickets cost £7 for children and £5 for adults, and must be pre-booked. All children must be accompanied by an adult. To buy tickets in advance, or for any other information, phone 020 8559 4500, email irenebull@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.chingfordvillagefestival.info.

Waltham Forest Youth Theatre

Every Saturday, 10.30am to 12 noon
Forest Community Centre, Guildford Road, E17 4EA

We work towards group and individual exams and perform on stage. Our classes are managed and taught by qualified, experienced, professional teachers. For children aged five to ten, £5.50 per session. For more information, phone Michael on 07860 716 295, email mep@btclick.com or visit www.walthamforestyouththeatre.co.uk.

Magic Box: drama and storytelling

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10am

Mothers Hub, 133 Wood Street, E17 3LX

What's inside the Magic Box today?

Join a host of different characters, from Pirate Captain Wonky nose to Herman the Hermit Crab, as they lead you on exciting and interactive adventures. Suitable for children aged 18 months to five years. £4 per child or £6 for two children includes coffee and cake. For more info, visit www.facebook.com/magicboxe17, www.magicboxstories.com or email magicboxe17@gmail.com.

Wood Street

Monday 22 February, 7–9pm

Henry Maynard School, Addison Road Site, E17 9LT

Council Meetings

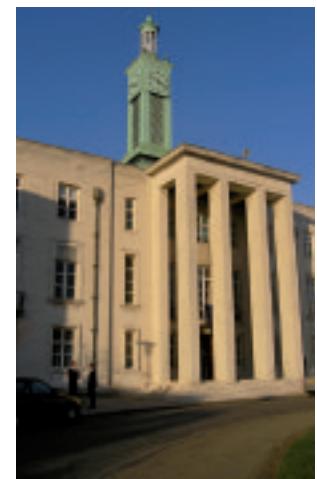
Wednesday 10 February

Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Committee

Monday 15 February

Licensing Act 2003 Sub-Committee, 10.30am

All meetings are held at Waltham Forest Town Hall and start at 7.30pm, unless stated otherwise. Dates and times are subject to change.



Tell us what's on

Email your event details to:

walthamforestnews@walthamforest.gov.uk

The deadline for Monday 7 March edition is Friday 19 February

Please note inclusion cannot be guaranteed, due to the high volume of requests received.

Please send your listing in the body of an email, formatted as shown on these pages.

To increase your chance of inclusion, please keep to a maximum of 80 words.

The Food Court at Walthamstow Market

Saturday 20 February

The food court is held between Buxton Road and Pretoria Avenue on the High Street, Walthamstow E17



If you want to enquire about trading at Walthamstow Market, please email us at:

street.trading@walthamforest.gov.uk



Winter Daze

Local half term activities for children and young people

Winter Daze returns for 2016 as an interactive online listing which contains a full range of exciting local activities. This includes arts and crafts, sports, music, play and Ofsted registered childcare.



Look out for the local offer owl for thrilling activities that children with additional needs can access across the borough



For more information visit the Children and Young People's Directory
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cYPD



Leyton



A runaway SUCCESS

■ **Eton Manor Athletics Club wants you to give running a try**

■ **Club open to complete beginners and experienced runners alike**

If, like us, you're carrying a little extra 'winter padding', you may be looking for a way to get fitter and healthier as springtime approaches.

The good news is that one of the borough's oldest athletics clubs is encouraging both new and experienced runners to join its ranks this year. Eton Manor Athletics Club is offering beginners' running courses as well as training sessions for youngsters and experienced athletes.

Trevor East, Eton Manor's Club Development Manager, told Waltham Forest News: "We're very proud that the club continues to go from strength to strength with each passing year. We're a very friendly, welcoming club and would love more people to get involved this year."

"You don't have to be a super fit competitive runner to join us, as we have group sessions for complete novices and a thriving youth section."

Eton Manor first started its 'Love2Run' beginners running courses nearly six years ago, and since then thousands of local people have gone from non-runners to being able to jog or run 5km in just

ten weeks.

The sessions take place at 6.30pm every Monday evening at Waltham Forest Athletics Track (170 Chingford Road, E17 5AA) and at 7.30pm on Thursdays at Eton Manor's clubhouse in Leyton Jubilee Park (The Cottage, Marsh Lane, E10 7BL). Contact Eton Manor to find out when the next Love2Run course will begin.

"Every week, you are supported by the inspirational run leaders and given clear and achievable goals."

Trevor said: "The Love2Run sessions are great because we want to remind people that sport is for all, not just for elite athletes. Our dedicated team of running leaders teach you how to run. No one gets left behind; they are with you all the way and build your running up as the weeks progress."

"But the really great thing about the project is that some of our running leaders were previously novices who took part in the sessions themselves. And they're now helping others get fit and have fun too."

Leyton resident, Chantal Murrell, who joined Love2Run last year, told Waltham Forest News: "My journey from being able to run zero metres to being able to run 5km started on a freezing cold February night in Leyton Jubilee Park and ended with the Hackney Park Run just eight weeks later. Somehow, I ran for 34 minutes when weeks earlier I was unable to run for more than a few

minutes without my muscles and lungs burning!"

"Every week, you are supported by the inspirational run leaders and given clear and achievable goals. Everyone runs at their own pace. Some weeks I wanted to give up, but I kept on as I had the 5km in my mind and wanted to run it, regardless of how slow I might be! I also made new friends and we formed our own Saturday running group, which helped with motivation and fitness."

"Taking part in the course was one of the most challenging but

life-enhancing and rewarding things I have ever done."

"Completing the 5km gave me the biggest adrenaline rush I have ever had and I will never forget it. If I can do it, you can do it too."

Many Eton Manor members run purely for enjoyment or personal fitness, but if you do like to race, the club competes in local, regional and national competitions. There is also a young athletes section for eight to 17 year olds which meets at Waltham Forest Athletics Track every Monday at 6.30pm. Youngsters receive coaching in all athletics disciplines from fully qualified coaches, and can also compete in local events.

The group's senior athletes meet at the club's Leyton Jubilee Park headquarters every Tuesday and Thursday, from 7pm onwards, and on Sundays from 10.15am.

More info

For more information on Eton Manor Athletics Club, visit www.eton-manor.com or email etomonorac2013@gmail.com.

In brief

Historical Society

Residents who have an interest in local history are encouraged to attend the monthly talks arranged by the Leyton and Leytonstone Historical Society. The society's aim is to research and promote interest in, and knowledge of, the history of the former Borough of Leyton and the surrounding area – while being instructive, sociable and, most of all, fun. Membership, which costs £8, is open to all. The next talk will be 'Forbidden Love and Broken Hearts' given by speaker Georgina Green. The event takes place at 7.45pm on Thursday 11 February at St John's Church Hall (829 High Road Leytonstone, E11 1HH). All talks are free to Society members, while visitors are asked to donate £2 to help cover costs.

- To find out more, visit [www.leytonhistorysociety.org.uk](http://leytonhistorysociety.org.uk), email Membership Secretary David Boote at david_boote@yahoo.com or phone him on 020 8559 3592. Free internet access is available at all libraries in the borough.

Try junior ice hockey

Young people who are looking for an exciting new way to keep fit and healthy, and make friends along the way, are being encouraged to give the sport of ice hockey a try. The Lee Valley Lions Junior Ice Hockey Club offers four-week taster sessions to young people aged five to 19. The sessions take place at Lee Valley Ice Centre (Lea Bridge Road, E10 7QL) on Tuesdays and Fridays between 7.15pm and 8.15pm and run throughout the year. Contact the club to find out when the next round of taster sessions begin. Club organisers say that the sport promotes fitness, teamwork and fun.

- For more information, phone Eddie Joseph on 07958 743 680, email eddiejoseph@hotmail.com or visit www.leevalleylions.org.uk.

Self-defence

Residents who are interested in learning self-defence skills, and getting fit at the same time, can find out more about the KAPAP system at a new class in Leyton. The sessions take place between 6.15pm and 7.15pm every Tuesday at Leyton Sixth Form College (Community Sports Centre, Essex Road, E10 6EQ). Admission costs £5 per class. Students can take advantage of reduced prices, and even enjoy their first lesson for free.

- For more information, email bruntonjl@yahoo.co.uk or phone Jason on 07905 132 595.

In brief



Young people can apply to swim for free

Free swimming

Children, disabled people and older residents will be happy to hear that the Council has a range of free swimming options for those keen to take a dip this February. Waltham Forest offers free swimming for under 18s, over 60s, disabled people and members of the Armed Forces. Young residents can swim for free at any time at the borough's pools, programme permitting. All that's needed is a membership card which costs £1 from any Waltham Forest leisure centre. Adults aged 60 and over can also take advantage of free swimming seven days a week. To be eligible, you need a pay and play card, which costs £7.10 a year. If you are registered disabled, you and a carer can also swim for free. To apply for any type of free swimming, visit your nearest leisure centre with proof of age, address and disability, if applicable. Members of the Armed Forces can swim for free at any time by showing their ID card.

• For more information on leisure services in Waltham Forest, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/leisure or www.better.org.uk/areas/waltham-forest.

Tinnitus Awareness

Residents who are regularly exposed to loud noises, such as amplified music or heavy machinery, are being warned to look after their hearing by the British Tinnitus Association (BTA). The call comes at the start of Tinnitus Awareness Week, which runs between 8-14 February. Tinnitus is a very common condition, with at least one in ten of the UK population experiencing noises such as ringing and buzzing in their ears. There is lots of helpful information and advice on the BTA website, and you can find out about special events happening during Tinnitus Awareness Week. You can also find out about the new 'Plug'em' campaign, which is raising awareness of protecting your hearing, and encourages people to wear earplugs at concerts, clubs and other noisy social situations.

• Visit www.tinnitus.org.uk or phone the BTA helpline on 0800 018 0527. Find out more about the Plug'em Campaign at www.plugem.co.uk.

Waltham Forest winners!

- **Waltham Forest sports clubs celebrate at London Sport Awards**
- **Boxing coach Jeffrey Clarke and Our Parks pick up honours**



County Amateur Boxing Club coach Jeffrey Clarke, centre, was named Coach of the Year at the London Sport Awards



Our Parks founder Born Barikor, second from right, picked up the Making It Easier award

Two Waltham Forest-based sports clubs are celebrating after January saw them get off to winning ways at the London Sport Awards.

Jeff Clarke from County Amateur Boxing Club (County ABC), Leyton, was named Coach of the Year at the annual award ceremony, while Our Parks – which began life in Waltham Forest nearly two years ago – won the Making It Easier Award.

Waltham Forest Hockey Club, which provides hockey coaching to children and adults of all abilities and organises a mini hockey competition for the borough's school children each year, also received an honourable mention in the Club of the Year Award, but unfortunately did not make the final shortlist.

The award ceremony took place at Lord's Cricket Ground on Thursday 21 January. The winners were chosen by a panel of judges

that was chaired by former Olympic rower Sarah Winckless MBE, and included former Boxing World Champion Barry McGuigan and Sky Sports broadcaster, David Garrido.

These were the second recent awards wins for both parties, as Jeff Clarke and Our Parks also won awards at the Council's Waltham Forest Sports Awards in November 2015.

Jeff Clarke is a dedicated boxing coach who has given more than 30 years' service to the community, and is described by his peers as 'an inspiration to the adults and young people who attend County ABC'.

Jeff's interest in boxing started at County ABC at the age of 13 in the late 1960s. He went on to box for London and England, and was even an Olympic hopeful.

Jeff has been a qualified coach since 1982 and volunteers to coach highly sought-after boxing and

fitness sessions at County ABC's headquarters at Leyton Youth Club (Crawley Road, E10 6PY).

He has worked with, mentored and encouraged coaches, boxers, people with varying abilities, cultural backgrounds and ages, and this is reflected in the club's diverse membership.

Our Parks is the hugely popular fitness initiative that sees residents of all abilities enjoying group fitness activities taking place in the borough's parks. There are even a few indoor venues, for when winter temperatures are a bit too low for most peoples' liking.

Taking place in 15 different locations, with funding from Waltham Forest Council, you can enjoy everything from bootcamps and cardio tennis sessions to buggy exercise workouts and yoga classes, to name a few. Our Parks began in Waltham Forest in 2014, and has since spread to more than 14 other boroughs in London.

Founder of Our Parks, Born Barikor, told Waltham Forest News: "I'm over the moon that Our Parks has won another award – it's

getting to be a bit of a habit! But, in seriousness, I'd like to thank all the coaches and 'parkers' for their amazing energy and dedication to Our Parks since the project began.

"It's amazing that our scheme that started in Waltham Forest has grown so much and that we've now had recognition London-wide. Our goal is to get as many people getting fit and having fun as possible, and I'm thrilled at our progress over the past two years."

More info

To find out more about County ABC and Our Parks, visit www.countyabc.com or www.ourparks.org.uk. For information on sport and leisure activities in Waltham Forest, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/sports-and-leisure.

Get involved in your local area



Gnome House received funding for a Saturday youth group, thanks to High Street Community Ward Forum

- **Waltham Forest has 20 Community Ward Forums for residents to attend**
- **Find out what's happening in your area, speak to councillors and apply for funding for local projects**

Did you know there's an easy way for you to keep up to date with what's happening in your neighbourhood, speak with your elected representatives and even ask for funding to help support community projects?

Waltham Forest is split into 20 'wards', each of which has three elected councillors to represent local residents. Each ward also has its own Community Ward Forum – which gives residents and businesses the opportunity to meet their councillors and talk about important local issues three times a year.

The meetings are generally held on weekday evenings, to allow as many people as possible to get involved. Find out when your Community Ward Forum meets by visiting www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cwf. If you're new to the borough, it's easy to find out which ward you live in. Simply visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/myplace and enter your postcode.

Each meeting has a set agenda, but residents can ask questions

about Council projects, put forward ideas to improve their neighbourhoods and ask councillors to consider funding local projects.

Every year, each forum has £10,000 to spend on community initiatives. The money can be spent on schemes that support older people to stay active in their local communities, to tackle anti-social behaviour, for events that encourage community cohesion, activities that encourage participation in arts and cultural events, and more.

Residents can make suggestions for funding by contacting their ward councillors or speaking at a forum meeting. All suggestions and local projects must benefit residents living in the ward.

Voluntary, community, sports or arts groups cannot apply directly for funding. However, residents' project ideas can be delivered by the Council and partners, such as housing associations, as well as constituted voluntary and community sector groups and organisations that meet the Council's criteria. Smaller

projects of up to £300 can be resident led and delivered.

One group that has benefitted from funding is the East of Market Quarter (EMQ) Residents Association. It applied for funding from Hoe Street Community Ward Forum for a number of projects including; a street party for 250 people, planting trees, erecting bird boxes and installing two 'Little Free Libraries'. Their most recent funding was used to stop anti-social behaviour in an alley between Hoe Street and Eastfield Road by adding a gate to stop unauthorised access.

EMQ founder, Gloria Wood, said: "I find Community Ward Forums incredibly interesting, as you can hear from the police and Council and meet other local people. You feel completely at ease standing up and asking a question. It's an example of real, local democracy."

"I think the forums help make the neighbourhood feel more cohesive, and I'd encourage anyone who wants to improve their area to attend."

Chingford resident, Graeme King, applied for funding to replace 15 windows at Old Church (All Saints) Community Hall in Old Church Road through the Endlebury, Larkswood and Valley Community Ward Forums. The hall is well-used by local groups, including cubs, brownies, guides, rangers, scouts, community groups and church groups, and was awarded funding of £4,500.

Graeme said: "We were made to feel very welcome, and I like the fact that meetings are interactive. Residents were encouraged to ask questions and give their opinions. It wasn't just that the councillors had an agenda to push and that everyone had to follow.

"The church hall is used every single night. The new windows have helped improve security, and are saving us money on bills. The hall is now much more welcoming."

Gnome House, the community arts and culture hub in Blackhorse Lane, received funding from High Street Community Ward Forum.

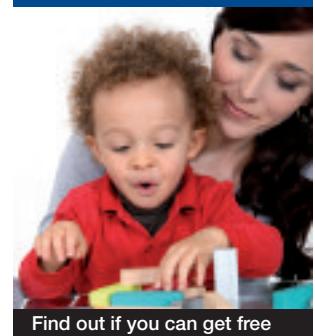
Volunteer director, Mark Burton, said: "We received funding for a Saturday youth group. About 60 children come along every weekend and do a variety of activities such as dance, film-making, music and art. I was down at Gnome House recently and it was brilliant to see the place full of energy and excitement. The feedback from both children and parents has been fantastic."

Cllr Liaquat Ali MBE JP, Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion, told Waltham Forest News: "Community Ward Forum meetings are the perfect way for you to come together with like-minded people from your neighbourhood and talk about the things that matter to you. I encourage residents to go along and put questions of community interest directly to their councillors."

More info

For more information on Community Ward Forums, including meeting dates, agendas and minutes, visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/cwf. Community Ward Forum meetings are also listed in the 'what's on' section, turn to p8.

In brief



Find out if you can get free childcare for your two-year-old

Free childcare

Some two-year-olds in Waltham Forest can get up to 15 hours a week of free early education and childcare. Good quality early learning can help children make new friends, try new activities, build their confidence and have fun. Parents and carers can also benefit from having more time to organise their busy family lives. Two-year-olds who are eligible for funded childcare can start receiving it from their second birthday, if they attend a childcare provider in Waltham Forest. Many childcare providers offer funded sessions, including day nurseries, pre-schools, nursery schools and childminders. There are also new Stay2Play sessions available, where parents/carers can stay with their child while they enjoy their free play session.

• To see whether your two-year-old is eligible, visit www.myearlylearning.co.uk. Alternatively, email education@walthamforest.gov.uk. For more information visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/freechildcare.

Praise for primary

A primary school in Walthamstow has been named as one of the country's 100 top performing schools in terms of the progress pupils make between key stage 1 and the end of key stage 2. Teachers at South Grove Primary School (Ringwood Road, E17 8PW), received a letter from Nick Gibb MP – Minister of State for Schools – praising their role in helping pupils improve their reading, writing and maths skills. Headteacher Julie Maltwood said: "This letter is testament to all the hard work, commitment and vision from the leadership team, Governors, staff, pupils and fantastic support from parents. We are really proud to have achieved this but continue to strive to improve the school and its educational provision for all of its pupils and parents." Cllr Mark Rusling, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People, said: "Our schools offer a high-quality education for all pupils; this national recognition shows that very clearly."

• Find out about schools in Waltham Forest at www.walthamforest.gov.uk/schools-colleges.

Planning

London Borough of Waltham Forest Notice of Application for Planning Permission

Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) (England) Order 2010

Notice under Article 13

Notice is Herby Given that the following application for planning permission has been made to the Council for which additional publicity is required.

APPL. NO. 153858

APPLICANT London Borough of Waltham Forest

ADDRESS Public Car Park, Stanley Road, Leyton, E10 7ET

PROPOSAL A residential development – Construction of 27 residential units (5 x 1 bed, 19 x 2 bed, 2 x 3 bed, 1 x 4 bed) in new buildings (height range from 2 to 3 storeys). Provision of 31 car parking spaces, cycle storage, refuse collection area and associated landscaping.

The application is available to view on the following website:

<http://planning.walthamforest.gov.uk>

Any views you would like to make for the above proposal, must be submitted in writing to the Council within 21 days of the date of this letter. Due to the number of correspondence (letters, emails etc) received by the Council relating to planning applications, it will not be possible to acknowledge or respond to your correspondences should you submit any. However, all views/comments received are fully considered during the assessment of the planning application. Please note that the planning file, including correspondence received for the application, are open to the public.

Dated this day 8th February 2016
David Scourfield, Head of Development Management and Building Control
London Borough of Waltham Forest

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APPL. NO. 153858

APPLICANT London Borough of Waltham Forest

ADDRESS Heathcote Secondary School And Science College, 96 Normanton Park, Chingford, London, E4 6ES

PROPOSAL Construction of two storey building to form a new year 7 classroom block with external canopy to front and new pedestrian access off Whitehall Road. New security gates and associated fencing and re-surfacing to adjoining tennis courts adjacent British Legion Road. The application is available to view on the following website:

<http://planning.walthamforest.gov.uk>

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Licensing

Licensing Act 2003:

Application for the Grant of a Premises Licence

Notice of application for the grant of a Premises Licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003.

Notice is hereby given that Lee and Daughters Limited, have applied to the London Borough of Waltham Forest for the grant of a Premises Licence at: 7 Winchester Road, Chingford, London E4 9LH. The nature of the application is as follows:

To permit the Sale of alcohol (on and off sales):

Friday & Saturday 10:00–21:00, Sunday 10:00–16:00

The Licensing register listing full details of the application is kept by the Licensing Service, Sycamore House, Walthamstow Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow E17 4SU. The application may be viewed Monday to Friday between the hours of 9am – 5pm (except Bank Holidays).

Any person wishing to make a representation in respect of the above activities may do so in writing to the Licensing Service, Sycamore House, Waltham Forest Town Hall, Forest Road, London E17 4SU.

Representations must be received no later than 23rd February 2016.

It is an offence to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with this application. The maximum fine on summary conviction being £5,000.

Highways

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTIONS 6, 23 and 124

HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 – SECTIONS 90A AND 90C

CHURCH ROAD E10 AND ASSOCIATED SIDE ROADS E10 (T6(16))

PROPOSED INTRODUCTION OF RAISED TOUCAN CROSSINGS

PROVISION OF SEGREGATED CYCLE TRACKS ON FOOTWAY REMOVAL OF WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND PROVISION OF WAITING AND LOADING

RESTRICTIONS

The Waltham Forest (Free Parking Places, Loading Places and Waiting, Loading and Stopping Restrictions) (Amendment No.) * Order 201*

The Waltham Forest (Charged-For Parking Places) (Amendment No.) *

Order 201*

1. **NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest (the Council) under Sections 90A and 90C of the Highways Act 1980, the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1999 and Section 23 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 proposes to introduce:-

(a) a speed table in **Church Road E10** between Nos. 305 and 311 Church Road; (b) an upgraded raised "Toucan" crossing in **Church Road E10**, outside Willow Brook Primary School so that the centre of the crossing is situated outside No. 201 Church Road. Associated zig-zag markings, on which vehicles would be prohibited from stopping at all times, will be placed on the carriageway either side of the crossing (extending northwards to a point outside No. 209 and southwards to a point opposite the common boundary of Nos. 195 and 197 Church Road); and

(c) a new raised pedestrian and cycle crossing in **Church Road E10** adjacent Leyton Grange so that the centre of the crossing is situated outside No. 132 Church Road. Associated zig-zag markings, on which vehicles would be prohibited from stopping at all times, will be placed on the carriageway either side of the crossing (extending westwards to a point outside No. 136 Church Road and eastwards to a point outside the common boundary of Nos. 126 and 128 Church Road);

The speed table and entry treatments with sinusoidal ramps would be elevated sections of carriageway approximately 75 – 100 millimetres (+/- 5mm) higher than the surrounding carriageway, extending across the full width of the carriageway. The gradients would measure between 1.5 and 3 metres in length.

The elevated section of Toucan and pedestrian and cycle crossings mentioned above will extend across the full width of the carriageway with ramps measuring between 1.5 metres and 3 metres.

2. **FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Council proposes to make the above-mentioned traffic Orders under sections 6, 45 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, as amended. The general effect of the Orders to coincide with cycle improvements, "Copenhagen Style blended crossing" entry treatments at junctions (shared highway and footway space for moving vehicles and pedestrians) and new and revised crossings would be to:

(a) remove "at any time" double yellow line waiting restrictions for up to a maximum distance of 12 metres on both sides of

Capworth Street E10, Gloucester Road E10, Malta Road E10, Marsh Lane, Palamos Road E10, Park Road E10, Villiers Close E10 at their respective junctions with **Church Road E10**. Waiting restrictions at these junctions with Church Road will be converted in to Copenhagen Style blended crossings (short sections of waiting restriction may remain but in most cases all will be removed – parking is

prohibited on the crossings);

(b) upgrade the existing single yellow line waiting restrictions to "at any time" waiting and loading restrictions on the east side of **Church Road E10** from the common boundary of Nos. 363 and 365 to the common boundary of Nos. 301 and 303 Church Road;

(c) provide "at any time" waiting and loading restrictions on **Church Road E10**:

i. west, south-west and south sides – from the common boundary of Nos. 162 and 164 Church Road to the common boundary of Nos. 112 and 114 Church Road

ii. north-east and north sides – between

a point opposite the north-west kerb-line of Villiers Close and the common boundary of Nos. 75 and 77 Church Road (upgrading the existing single yellow line waiting restrictions on the northern side); and

iii. across the length of all roads adjoining

Church Road E10 – between Gloucester

Road and Grange Park Road where

"Copenhagen Style blended crossings" are situated (see roads mentioned in 2(a) above and those proposed in 2nd November 2015 issue of Waltham Forest News).

3. **FURTHER NOTICE IS GIVEN** that the Council, in accordance with Sections 65(1) and 66(4) of the Highways Act 1980, proposes to convert certain lengths of footway into shared-use cycle tracks for use by cyclists and pedestrians and to provide stepped cycle tracks at the locations mentioned in the Schedule below. The cycle tracks are proposed to aid cyclists to link with existing and new cycle links and networks along key routes and to avoid fast moving traffic on the carriageways.

4. Plans of the proposed measures, copies of the Orders, the Council's Statement of Reasons for proposing to make the Orders and of plans showing the location and effect of the Orders can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published, at (a) The Information Desk, Town Hall, Forest Road, Walthamstow, E17; and (b) The Reception Desk, The London Borough of Waltham Forest, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS.

5. Any person desiring to object to the proposals or to make any other representation should send a statement in writing of either their objection and the grounds thereof or of their representation to Sophia Daniel, Traffic Orders, Engineering Design, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS quoting reference **T6(16) – Church Road E10 – Leyton to Blackhorse Road route** by the end of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

For more information please telephone 020 8496 3000 quoting reference Traffic Orders – T6(16).

Dated 8th February 2016

Mr. K. Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

Schedule

Church Road E10

eastern side – between No. 363 Church Road and Capworth Street;

south-west side – between Simonds Road and Villiers Close

southern side – between:

- Villiers Close and Leyton Grange (stepped – bi-directional);
- Leyton Grange and Ivey Farm Close (stepped); and

North and north-east sides – between Villiers Close and Crescent Road

both sides (shared footway space to access crossing points) – between:

- Nos. 201 and 211 (shared-use); and
- Nos. 130 and 132 (shared-use)

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

THE WALTHAM FOREST (HOE STREET/WOOD STREET/SHERNHALL STREET/CHURCH HILL AREAS) (VARIOUS TEMPORARY MEASURES) (NO. 1) ORDER 2016 (TT1(16))

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest **HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that on **5th February 2016** it made an Order to initiate cycle and pedestrian friendly highway improvements in a safe and efficient manner, within roads situated between Hoe Street (east) and Wood Street (west).

2. The general effect of the Order would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to prohibit vehicles (except works vehicles) from:-

(a) entering, proceeding, waiting or loading, for any purpose, at any time, in the roads or sections of roads mentioned in Schedule 1 to this notice;

(b) waiting or loading, for any purpose, at any time, in the roads or sections of roads mentioned in Schedule 2 to this notice (except for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency, if the works allow);

(c) entering **Aubrey Road E17** where entry to that road is prohibited by a no-entry sign plate situated in line with the southernmost boundary of No. 73 Howard Road.

3. Whilst this Order continues in operation and only when regulatory signs are in place the one-way traffic operation to vehicles in the roads or sections of roads mentioned in Schedule 3 to this notice are hereby temporarily suspended.

4. Whilst this Order continues in operation and only when regulatory signs are in place the no-entry prohibition to vehicles in **Milton Road E17** – at its junction with Byron Road; **Aubrey Road E17** – at its junctions with the northern and southern kerb-lines of Milton Road; and **Roland Road E17** – at its junction with Oliver Road are hereby temporarily suspended;

5. Whilst this Order continues in operation and only when regulatory signs are in place no person shall enter or proceed, for any purpose, at any time, in any sections of **Vinegar Alley E17, Back Road E17** and **Church Hill E17** (pathway between the southern extremity of Church Hill E17 (carriageway) and Church End – signed as Church End).

6. Vehicular or pedestrian access to properties affected by these temporary measures will be maintained wherever possible, subject to the extent and operation of the closures.

7. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard

of this Order would be removed.

- 8. Whilst the prohibitions referred to in paragraphs 2 and 5 above remain in force, advance warning signage and alternative routes for pedestrians and traffic shall be in place.
- 9. The Order will come into operation on **8th February 2016** and will be valid for 18 months, or until the said works are completed, whichever is the sooner.

*Note: *These works would not be carried out simultaneously in all roads or sections of roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council. Leaflets would be distributed and signage placed in advance of any works in the above mentioned roads which would give more specific details on the exact dates of the prohibitions, effects of any temporary traffic management and diversion routes as necessary.*

Dated 8th February 2016

Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

Schedule 1

- **Aubrey Road E17** – between its junction with Church Hill and Nos. 16 and 17 Aubrey Road
- **Barrett Road E17** – the north to south arm
- **Church Hill Road E17** – between its junction with Church Hill and the north-easternmost boundary of No. 117 Church Hill;
- **Greville Road E17** – between its junction with Shernhall Street and a point 30 metres north of that said junction;
- **Havant Road E17** – between its junctions with Wood Street and Shernhall Street;
- **Roland Road E17** – all
- **St Mary Road E17** – between Stainforth Road and West Avenue Road
- between the junction and a distance of 30 metres **within any road adjoining the south-east and eastern sides of Hoe Street E17 (all adjoining roads between and including Aubrey Road and Church Hill)**
- between the junction and a distance of 30 metres **within any road adjoining Church Hill E17 E17 (all adjoining roads between and including Stainforth Road and The Drive E17)**;
- **Shernhall Street E17** – between The Drive and Eastern Road and **for a distance of 30 metres within any road adjoining Shernhall Street E17** (between The Drive and Eastern Road);
- **Wood Street E17** – all

Schedule 2

- Howard Road E17 – between its junction with Seaford Road and the common boundary of Nos. 65 and 67 Howard Road;
- Prospect Hill E17 – between its junction with Church Hill and common boundary of Nos. 115 Church Hill and No.1 Prospect Hill.

Schedule 3

- **Aubrey Road E17** – all;
- **Byron Road E17** – all
- **Havant Road E17** – all
- **Milton Road E17** – all;
- **Roland Road E17** – all;
- **Richards Place E17** – all
- **St Mary Road E17** – between Stainforth Road and West Avenue Road
- **Tower Hamlets Road E17** – all

LONDON BOROUGH OF WALTHAM FOREST

ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1)

THE WALTHAM FOREST (VARIOUS ROADS – ST JAMES'S STREET REGION E17) (VARIOUS MEASURES) (NO. 1) ORDER 2016 (TT3(16))

1. The Council of the London Borough of Waltham Forest **HEREBY GIVES NOTICE** that it intends making an Order to enable highway construction, lining works and safe access/egress for wide load and plant vehicle movements to be carried out in a safe and efficient manner.
2. The general effect of the Order would be, only at such times and to such extent as regulatory signs are displayed, to prohibit vehicles (except works vehicles) from:
 - (a) entering, proceeding, waiting or loading for any purpose, at any time, in:
 - **Farnborough Avenue E17;**
 - **Michael Road E11;** and
 - **Mornington Road E11** – between its junction with Barclay Road to No. 191 Mornington Road; and
 - (b) waiting or loading for any purpose, in the roads or parts of roads mentioned in:
 - (i) Schedule 1 of this Notice at any time; and
 - (ii) Schedule 2 of this Notice between 7.30am to 6pm Mondays to Fridays and Saturdays 7.30am to 1pm;
 3. No person shall cause or permit any vehicle to enter, proceed, wait or load for any purpose, at any time, within 15 metres of the junction of any road adjoining the roads or sections of roads contained in paragraph 2(a) above.
 4. Whilst the Order continues in operation and only when regulatory signs are in place in the one-way traffic operation to vehicles in **Gloucester Road E10, Malta Road E10, Palamos Road E10 and Park Road E10** are hereby temporarily suspended.
 5. Whilst the prohibitions referred to in paragraph 2 (a) above remain in force, alternative routes for traffic would be indicated by traffic signs.
 6. Vehicles waiting or loading in disregard of this Order would be removed.
 7. The restrictions mentioned above would not apply in relation to any vehicle being used –
 - (a) in connection with the said works; or
 - (b) for ambulance, fire brigade or police purposes in an emergency.
 8. The Order would come into operation

on **22nd February 2016** and would be valid for a maximum period of:

- (a) 3 months for works in the roads and parts of roads mentioned in paragraphs 2(a) and 3 above, or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner;
- (b) 12 months for works in the roads and parts of roads mentioned in paragraphs 2(b) and 4 above, or until the works are completed, whichever is the sooner; and
- (c) until 30th September 2016 for the section of road mentioned in Schedule 2 of this Notice, or until the requirement for safe access/egress for wide load and plant vehicles are completed, whichever is the sooner.

Note: These works would not be carried out simultaneously in all roads but in a sequence as directed by the Council. Leaflets would be distributed and signage placed in advance of any works in the above mentioned roads which would give more specific details on the exact dates of the prohibitions, effects of any temporary traffic management and diversion routes as necessary.

Dated 8th February 2016

Mr K Valavan, Head of Highways and Infrastructure, Neighbourhoods and Commissioning, Low Hall, Argall Avenue, London, E10 7AS

Schedule 1

- **Chadwick Avenue E4** – the south west side;
- **Cherrydown Avenue E4** – the south-west side from its junction with Middleton Close north-westwards for a distance of 18 metres
- **Coppermill Lane E17** – on the south-east side between its junctions with Chester Road and Rensburg Road;
- **Dean Gardens E17** – the west side, between its junction with Upper Walthamstow Road and the northernmost boundary of No. 2 Dean Gardens;
- **Devonshire Road E17** – the south-west side between the common boundary of Nos. 61 and 63 and the common boundary of Nos. 63 and 65;
- **Erskine Road E17** – east side outside Nos. 14 and 16 Erskine Road;

• **Forest View Road E17** – for a distance of 2 metres north of the northern kerb-line of entrance to The Highlands and 2 metres south of the southern kerb-line of that said entrance;

- **Frankland Road E4** – both sides, between its junction with York Road and a point 15 metres east of that said junction;
- **James Lane E11** – south-east side, opposite the common boundary of Nos. 44 and 46 James Lane and its junction with Essex Road South;
- **Kingsley Gardens E4** – both sides, between its junction with Chingford Mount Road and its eastern extremity;
- **Mornington Road E4** – west side, for a distance of 10 metres north and 10 metres south of its junction with Mount View Road;
- **Mount View Road E4** – both sides, from its junction of Mornington Road westwards for a distance of 10 metres;
- **Oakhurst Gardens E17** – north side, between its junction with Forest Rise and the east side of the western access gate to Forest School;
- **Omnibus Way E17** – south-west, south and south-east sides anywhere within the property boundary of No. 9 Omnibus Way;

- **The Avenue E4** – west side, between the common boundary of Nos. 57 and 59 and the southernmost extremity of No. 49;
- **The Bridle Path IG8** – the north side, between its junction with Oak Hill and its junction with unnamed access road to Saint Patricks Court;
- **Woodview Avenue E4** – south-east side opposite the common boundary of Nos. 36 and 38 Woodview Road and its eastern extremity;
- **York Road E4** – east side, between a point 15 metres north and 15 metres south of its junction with Frankand Road.

Schedule 2

- **Handsworth Avenue E4** – both sides, from the north-east boundary of No.51 Handsworth Avenue south-westwards for a distance of 45 metres (outside and opposite Highams Park School) – The operational times of the restrictions will be from 7.30am to 6pm Mondays to Fridays and Saturdays 7.30am to 1pm.

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Squatters in this property were making lives of neighbours miserable. Residents wanted the landlord to sort out the problem. The Council served the landlord with a community protection order (CPN), to remove the squatters but he failed to cooperate.

On the day, officers discovered appalling living conditions, water flooding through the walls and criminal damage which was having an impact on residents.

Under the ASB Crime and Policing Act of 2014, a closure notice and CPN were issued to remove the squatters and secure the property. The squatters were referred to Thames Reach for support.

WORKING WITH A LANDLORD

RESULT

A property was discovered where the managing agent had sublet the property to more than double the number of tenants than the landlord was aware of.

Working with the landlord, officers identified further breaches at several of the properties that the landlord rents. A one year licence

was issued instead of a five year licence, and the landlord has been asked to address the breaches during that time.

The landlord said, "The scheme has helped me to improve living standards at my properties and ensure that I operate as a responsible landlord. I'm very grateful to Waltham Forest."

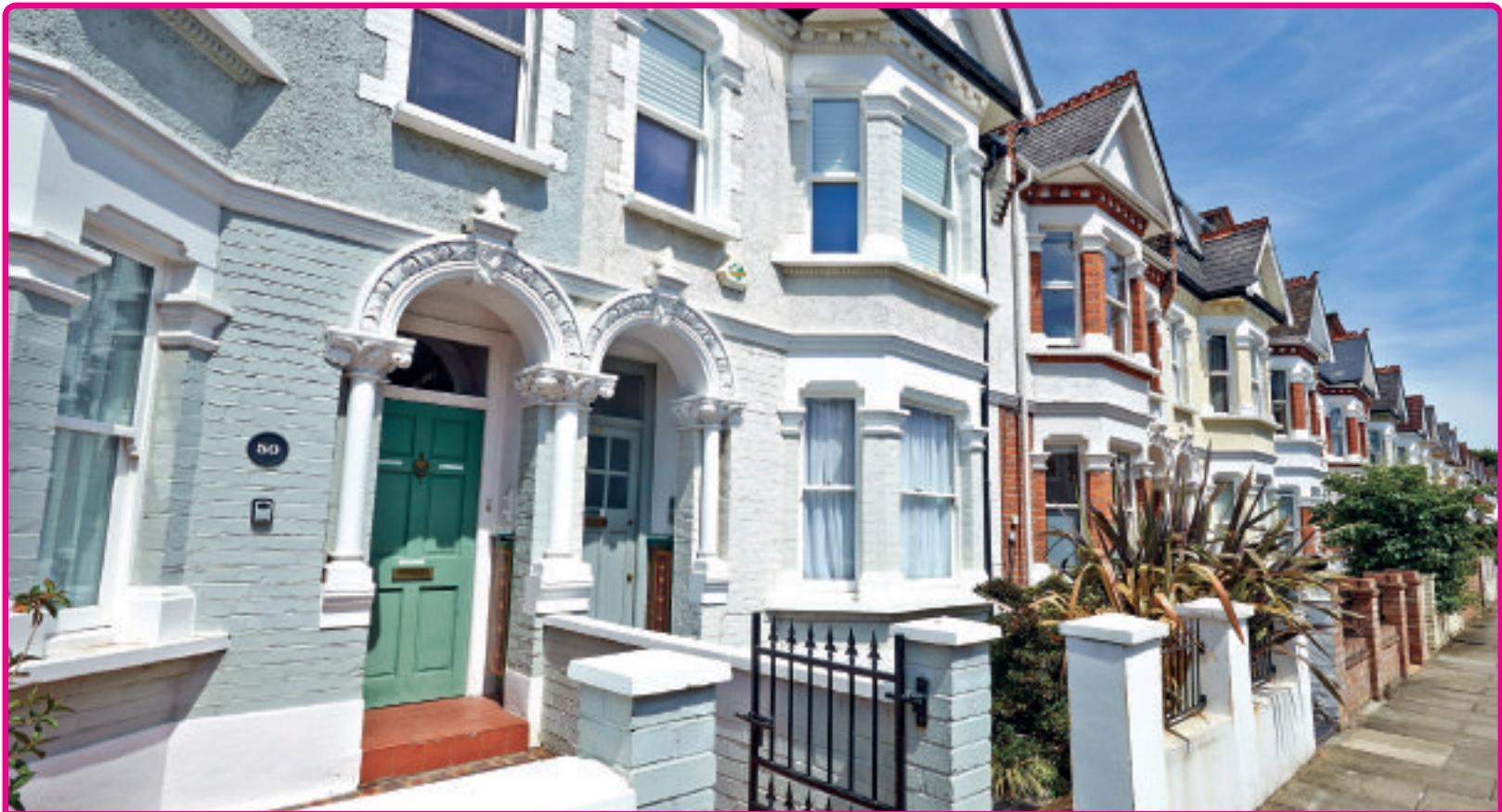


DIRTY FRONT GARDENS

During the Action Day, officers from our Neighbourhoods Team seized the opportunity to identify and tackle environmental issues such as dirty front gardens, fly-tip and graffiti.

It's the irresponsible few who bring down the appearance of our streets and Waltham Forest is taking action to against people who spoil it for others. Fly-tips were recorded for contractors to clear promptly, graffiti removed and warning letters and notices issued for dirty front gardens.

If you know of any issues, please visit
www.walthamforest.gov.uk/mystreet



HOW TO REPORT AN UNLICENSED PROPERTY

To date we have issued 15,000 licences and are processing a further 2,000 applications which shows we have a large number of good landlords in the borough.

There are still a number of rogue landlords that need to licence, so if you know of any unlicensed properties, then please contact us.

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